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EXTRACORPOREAL BLOOD CIRCUITS

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

September 25, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action of June 25, 2002, please enter the amendments that follow.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 11, 12, 15 and 16 with amended claims 11, 12, 15 and 16 as follows: